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COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN NEEDS
Wednesday, May 10, 2006 - 9:00 A.M.
Milwaukee County Courthouse, Room 201-B

MINUTES

CASSETTE #: 28; Side A, 581 to EOT
28; Side B, 001 to 634

PRESENT: Supervisors West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-Jones
(Chair)

SCHEDULED ITEMS:

RESOLUTIONS - 2

1. 06-253 Resolution by Supervisors Coggs-Jones and Clark authorizing and directing Milwaukee County Department of Health and Human Services to collaborate with local health entities to further educate and prepare Milwaukee County in the event of an Avian Influenza (H5N1) epidemic/pandemic.

APPEARANCES:

Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services
John Chianelli, Director, County Health Programs, DHHS
State Representative Barbara Toles

- A-593 Supervisor West requests to be added as a co-sponsor of this resolution.
- A-615 Mr. Henken explained that the Federal Department of Health and Human Services' instructions to States and Municipalities indicate that the majority of responsibility for the preparation of a pandemic is housed with the City Public Health Commissioner.
- A-628 Mr. Chianelli indicated that he reviewed both the State and Federal plans and confirmed what Mr. Henken stated, in that the sole responsibility falls on the City Public Health Commissioner to lead and ensure that all entities are doing what is needed relative to preparedness. However, all businesses and agencies need to have their own individual preparedness plan. Mr. Chianelli went on to state that the Federal government has put out a checklist that should be followed to assist in comprising a plan. This plan would address workforce/employee issues and how a particular entity would continue to function without staff due to a pandemic. The

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Wisconsin plan is very specific about the charges to the local public health department in what they need to do to as far as public awareness.

- B-285 State Representative Toles stated that she co -chairs the Speakers Task Force on Avian Flue. The purpose of this Committee is to look at Wisconsin's preparedness. She indicated that there are systems being put in place that will help prepare the State with a minimal amount of the vaccination, which will be for health care workers and providers. A few of the Task Force's major concerns include not doing anything to alarm the public and cause people to panic. They also want to make sure that they do not do anything that would negatively affect the chicken industry. State Representative Toles extended an invitation to the Committee to attend the May 24th meeting of the Speakers Task Force on Avian Flue.

Questions and comments ensued.

ACTION BY: (West) Moved for approval prior to the passing of the gavel and taking the role as Chair. 7-0

AYES: Coggs-Jones, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and West (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

2. 06-254 Resolution by Supervisors Coggs-Jones, Johnson, Clark and Devine requesting a study to be conducted to examine areas of Milwaukee County's social and human services where individuals are "falling through the cracks" and not receiving needed appropriate physical, mental, AODA treatment, shelter and other supportive services.
- A-692 Supervisor Coggs-Jones explained that this resolution is a study resolution to take a look at the system and examine the services in terms of people falling through the cracks of the system and not receiving the appropriate services. She felt this would be a good time to review this issue especially with many of the challenges that the County will be facing fiscally with the 2007 budget.
- A-715 Mr. Samuel Williams spoke in support of the resolution.
- Questions and comments ensued.
- B-170 Supervisor West requests to be added as a co-sponsor of this resolution.

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ACTION BY: (Coggs-Jones) Approve. 7-0

AYES: Coggs-Jones, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and
West (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

DEPARTMENT ON AGING - 2

3. 06HN13 From the Director, Department on Aging, submitting an updated informational report on the Year-End Income Statement of the Care Management Organization (CMO) under Family Care for 2005. **(Also to Finance and Audit Committee) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

APPEARANCE:

James Hodson, Chief Financial Officer (CMO), Department on Aging

- B-196 Mr. Hodson summarized the said report and explained that these are the final results of 2005. He reviewed revenues, expenditures, surplus prior to the commitment agreement, and the County's share of surplus as outlined per the equity share agreement and after contributions to reserves that were required by the State contract.

Questions and comments ensued.

The Committee took no action regarding this informational report.

4. 06HN14 From the Director, Department on Aging, submitting an updated informational report on the February 2006 and Year-to-Date Income Statement of the Care Management Organization (CMO) under Family Care. **(Also to Finance and Audit Committee) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

APPEARANCE:

James Hodson, Chief Financial Officer (CMO), Department on Aging

- B-237 Mr. Hodson addressed a letter that was received a letter from the State of Wisconsin basically authorizing a percentage increase in the 2006 capitation rate for the Care Management Organization. He indicated that they would be considering what could be done as far as funding for provider rate increases, and they will also try to estimate the financial impact that this will have on the program.

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Questions and comments ensued.

The Committee took no action regarding this informational report.

ECONOMIC SUPPORT DIVISION - 4

5. 06-32 From Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting
(a)(g) authorization to execute a 2006 Income Maintenance Contract
Addendum for Family Care.

APPEARANCE:

Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

- B-344 Mr. Henken explained that this is an addendum that has to be returned in sixty days. The sixty-day deadline is May 15, 2006, so Mr. Henken, if approved by Committee, will be signing and sending it back. If the full Board does not approve it, Mr. Henken can reverse it.

ACTION BY: (West) Approve. 7-0

AYES: West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-Jones (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

6. 06-32 From Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting
(a)(h) authorization to execute two 2006 Income Maintenance Contract
Addenda for Regional Training.

APPEARANCE:

Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

- B-356 Mr. Henken indicated that this is a standard State/County contract addendum that is received every year for regional training. It is about \$36,000 more than was anticipated in the 2006 budget, which enables the Department to essentially fill a vacant position in the Economic Support Division.

ACTION BY: (West) Approve. 7-0

AYES: West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-Jones (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

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7. 06-32 From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services,
(a)(i) requesting authorization to enter into a 2006 Contract Amendment with the State of Wisconsin for operation of the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program.

APPEARANCE:

Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

- B-369 Mr. Henken stated that this request involves additional funds made available to the Department of Health and Human Services by the State and Federal government for crisis energy benefits.

- B-374 Supervisor Johnson commended Mr. Henken and Mr. Hill for all of their hard work and effort.

ACTION BY: (Johnson) Approve. 7-0

AYES: West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-Jones (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

8. 06-31 From Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting
(a)(b) authorization to amend a 2006 contract with the Social Development Commission (SDC) for operation of a new energy assistance site.

APPEARANCE:

Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

- B-396 Mr. Henken indicated that this is a request to add some dollars to the existing contract with the Social Development Commission for the low-income home energy assistance program. The Department of Health and Human Services is very pleased to be able to direct additional resources towards SDC so that they can establish a new site. He went on to state that the demand for home energy assistance, at times, significantly exceeds their capacity to sign people up and get them the benefits that they need. That's why opening up a new location in the Northwest part of Milwaukee will be very helpful.

Questions and comments ensued.

ACTION BY: (Johnson) Approve. 7-0

AYES: West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-Jones (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIVISION - 2

9. 06-5 From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services,
(a)(e) requesting authorization to extend until December 31, 2006, the 2006 Purchase of Service Contracts with the Medical College of Wisconsin and Health Care for the Homeless for the Provision of Mental Health Outpatient Services.

APPEARANCE:

Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

- B-488 Mr. Henken stated that there are two health care providers. They are the Medical College of Wisconsin and Health Care for the Homeless. A partial year contract was requested in December of 2005 for 2006 because the intent was to move from a contract to a fee-for-service basis in this area of programming. Because of uncertainty as to whether there may be an opportunity to purchase similar services from alternative vendors that would be less expensive, combined with the fact that the Behavioral Health Division is working on moving to an integrated approach to treating individuals with both substance abuse issues and mental health issues, Mr. Henken indicated that the appropriate thing to do is to extend these contracts through the remainder of 2006.

Questions and comments ensued.

ACTION BY: (Clark) Approve. 7-0

AYES: West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-Jones (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

10. 05-536 From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services,
(a)(a) requesting authorization to increase the 2006 Professional Service Contract with Accenture, LLP from \$2,139,500 to \$2,429,497.

APPEARANCE:

Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

- B-584 Mr. Henken explained that this is a catch up action to an item that was brought before this Committee last month to authorize the use of carryover access to recovery grant funds into calendar year 2006. Some of those carryover funds must be used for necessary information technology enhancements. This would expand the contract with Accenture in order to utilize those funds in that fashion.

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ACTION BY: (Johnson) Approve. 7-0

AYES: West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-Jones (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

DHHS/GENERAL – 1

11. 06HN15 From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, submitting a follow-up informational report on the potential unanticipated revenue deficits in the Department of Health and Human Services and Behavioral Health Division due to new regulations regarding reimbursement under the Federal Medicaid Targeted Case Management Program. **(Also to Finance and Audit Committee)**
(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

APPEARANCE:

Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

- B-601 Mr. Henken stated there has been no action in terms of implementing the new congressional language as of yet. He indicated that there has been considerable attention given to this issue by members of Congress. He emphasized that they still do not know how CMS will rule, but there has been Congressional pressure to put forth a ruling that would hopefully leave the County's program unaffected from all of this. However, in the event that that does not occur, Mr. Henken indicated that they have stepped up their efforts to explore different contingencies.

Questions and comments ensued.

- B-626 Supervisor West requested another follow-up report on this item for the July cycle.

The Committee took no action regarding this informational report.

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STAFF PRESENT:

Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services
John Chianelli, Director, County Health Programs, DHHS
James Hodson, Chief Financial Officer (CMO), Department on Aging
Jim Hill, Administrator, Behavioral Health Division, DHHS
Martin Weddle, Research Analyst, County Board

This meeting was recorded on tape. The foregoing items were not necessarily considered in agenda order. Committee files contain copies of the subject reports, communications, resolutions, and ordinances, which may be reviewed upon request to the Chief Committee Clerk. The official copy of these minutes is available in the County Board Committee Services Division.

Length of meeting: 9:08 a.m. to 10:10 a.m.

Adjourned,

Jodi Kapp

Committee Clerk
Committee on Health and Human Needs